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## RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114(c)

Commissioner for Patents

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Dear Sir

The following is in response to the Final Office Action dated April 11, 2008, Applicant submits the subject amendment along with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE). A version of all pending claims and their current status are presented having necessary markings to show any changes made in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.121.

Amendments to the Claims – are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2;

Remarks/Arguments - begin on page 6 of this paper.